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Summary

Main Features

The **Labour Force, Australia, Spreadsheets** (cat. no. 6202.0.55.001) product set includes time series data corresponding to the tables contained in the **Labour Force, Australia** (cat. no. 6202.0) publication.

Since these products are based on the same data as the **Labour Force, Australia** (cat. no. 6202.0) publication, the **6202.0 Labour Force, Australia Main Features** are relevant to both releases.

About this Release

A set of Excel spreadsheets with summary results of the monthly Labour Force Survey containing estimates of employed and unemployed persons classified by sex, full-time/part-time status, states and territories and some age groups; and persons not in the labour force.

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Standard Errors

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Estimates from the Labour Force Survey (LFS) are based on information collected from people in a sample of dwellings, rather than the entire population. Hence the estimates

produced may differ from those that would have been produced if the entire population had been included in the survey. The most common measure of the likely difference (or 'sampling error') is the **standard error** (SE). New models for calculating standard errors for these estimates were introduced in June 2007 and apply to estimates from the LFS from April 2001 onwards.

The ABS considers that estimates with a relative standard error of 25% or more may be subject to sampling variability too high for most practical purposes.

To indicate those cells in the spreadsheets with a relative standard error of 25% or more, annotations have been applied prior to dissemination.

In addition, the table below has been supplied to show estimates at which the relative standard error is 25%. Estimates of the size indicated in the tables, or smaller, are considered to be subject to sampling variability too high for most practical purposes.

For additional information on LFS standard errors see [Labour Force Survey Standard Error, 2005](#) (cat. no. 6298.0) and the Explanatory Notes tab in [Labour Force, Australia](#) (cat. no. 6202.0).

State	Feb 78 to Sep 82	Oct 82 to Aug 87	Sep 87 to Aug 92	Sep 92 to Aug 97	Sep 97 to Mar 01	From April 2001		NILF
						Employed	Unemployed	
NSW	4.5	4.0	4.5	5.3	5.9	4.9	5.7	5.9
Vic.	4.5	4.0	4.5	4.6	4.5	4.1	4.9	4.8
Qld	3.5	3.0	3.0	3.5	4.1	3.7	4.2	4.4
SA	2.5	1.8	2.0	2.4	2.4	2.0	2.7	2.5
WA	2.5	2.0	2.5	2.9	2.8	2.3	3.0	2.9
Tas.	1.5	1.0	1.3	1.3	1.1	1.1	1.7	1.3
NT	2.0	1.8	1.8	1.3	1.0	1.4	2.4	1.8
ACT	2.0	1.3	1.5	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.5	1.3
Aust.	4.5	3.5	4.0	4.0	4.4	4.9	4.7	5.3